

**ST. MARY'S COUNTY  
BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS' MEETING  
GOVERNMENTAL CENTER  
Tuesday, October 17, 2006**

**Present:** Commissioner President Thomas F. McKay  
Commissioner Kenneth R. Dement (absent)  
Commissioner Lawrence D. Jarboe  
Commissioner Thomas A. Mattingly, Sr.  
Commissioner Daniel H. Raley  
George G. Forrest, County Administrator  
Betty Jean Pasko, Senior Admin. Coordinator (Recorder)

*The Commissioners visited the following local Leonardtown businesses prior to the BOCC meeting: Hilltop Graphics, 41665 Fenwick Street and The Good Earth Natural Foods Co., 41675 Park Avenue.*

The meeting was called to order at 10:55 AM.

**APPROVAL OF CHECK REGISTER**

**Commissioner Mattingly moved, seconded by Commissioner Jarboe, to authorize the Commissioner President to sign the Check Register, as presented. Motion carried 4-0.**

**APPROVAL OF MINUTES**

**Commissioner Mattingly moved, seconded by Commissioner Raley, to adopt the minutes of the Commissioners' meeting of October 10, 2006, as corrected. Motion carried 4-0.**

**PROCLAMATION: BREAST CANCER AWARENESS MONTH**

The County Commissioners presented a Proclamation to Marta Kelsey, Chairperson, Commission for Women, proclaiming October 2006 as Breast Cancer Awareness Month in St. Mary's County. The County Commissioners joined with volunteers from the Commission for Women and the St. Mary's Hospital to encourage and create awareness among women residents about their good health by discussing an age-appropriate screening program with their health care providers that includes routine mammography, examination by a physician and breast self-examination.

**COUNTY ADMINISTRATOR**

1. Draft Agendas for October 24 (and 10/27), and October 31, 2006

2. **Local Management Board** (*C. Bennett Connelly, Exec. Dir., St. Mary's Co. Local Mgmt. Board; Ella May Russell, Chair, Local Mgmt. Board*)

**Commissioner Jarboe moved, seconded by Commissioner Raley, to approve and authorize the Commissioner President to sign the FY2007 Limited Community Partnership Agreement with the State of Maryland. Motion carried 4-0.**

3. **Finance** (*Elaine Kramer, CFO; Jeannett Cudmore, Deputy Director*)

The calendar proposed for the budget 2008 cycle was presented. Discussion ensued regarding bringing in organizations to provide an overview of what they do, including 'performance data' information. An outline should be prepared for the organizations to facilitate preparing the overview presentation. The presentations, should be scheduled starting in February (during work sessions, and/or scheduled on Mondays), will provide information for the new Board (refresher data for existing Board) members.

*Staff was directed to revise calendar to include presentations at Budget Work Sessions (and Mondays) and bring back to the BOCC.*

4. **Department of Aging** (*Lori Jennings-Harris, Director; and Peggy Maio, Fiscal Supervisor*)

**Commissioner Mattingly moved, seconded by Commissioner Jarboe, to approve and authorize the Commissioner President to sign the St. Mary's County Department of Aging Notification of Grant Award on the Revised Older Americans Act Title III's Federal Grant and the related Budget Amendment. Motion carried 4-0.**

5. **Department of Public Works** (*George Erichsen, P.E., Director DPW&T; Jacqueline Fournier, Transportation Manager, DPW&T*)

**Commissioner Jarboe moved, seconded by Commissioner Raley to approve and authorize the Commissioner President to sign the FY2007 Americans with Disability Act Grant, Addendum, and related Budget Amendment, to be in accordance with the actual grant award. Motion carried 4-0.**

**Commissioner Jarboe moved, seconded by Commissioner Mattingly, to approve and authorize the Commissioner President to sign the FY2007 Statewide Special Transportation Assistance Program Operating Assistance Grant, Grant Addendum, and related Budget Amendment, to be in accordance with the actual grant award. Motion carried 4-0.**

## **PUBLIC HEARING: PROPOSED AMENDMENTS TO ST. MARY'S COUNTY PUBLIC ETHICS ORDINANCE**

Present: David Deaderick, Chair, St. Mary's County Ethics Commission  
Christy Holt-Chesser, County Attorney

The purpose of the Public Hearing was to discuss proposed Amendments to the St. Mary's County Public Ethics Ordinance (2006 Amendment). Mr. Deaderick reviewed the proposed changes, with the most significant being identified as to Section 5, D 'Solicitation or acceptance of gifts'.

Amendments (revisions) were submitted to the State Ethics Commission to ensure conformance. Discussion ensued regarding board, commission, and committee positions included in the Ordinance (Re: Section 6).

There were no signatures on the Public Hearing sign-up sheet.

### George Baroniak, Chair of Ethics Commission

Mr. Baroniak reiterated that the changes were coordinated through the State. "The Ethics Commission is not out to punish somebody." "Not a threatening document; it's one that we can all follow."

The Public Hearing was closed. The Record will remain open for a 10 day period for written comments, which may be submitted to the County Attorney, BOCC, or the Ethics Commission.

## **COMMISSIONERS' TIME**

### Commissioner Mattingly

Attended the Higher Education Center Workforce Housing presentation on workforce housing initiatives & the House-4-Keys program.

Attended the second meeting of the Fire Rescue Taskforce. They will be coming to us with a formal appointment list of names for taskforce members. Chief Ron Siarniki, retired PG County Fire Chief and the Executive Director, Fallen Fire Fighters Foundation, had a similar program for Kent County. A videotape of the taskforce meeting is available; contact Tim Cameron.

Apologized to Boys & Girls clubs. Was there for only a few minutes, but had another appointment. Got a brief tour; quite impressive – great program.

Attended the Hollywood Church of the Nazarene 100th Anniversary.

Also, attended the Farm Life Festival, Bowles Farm Maze, and the Christ Church Festival.

Congratulations to Ms. Sweeney of Leonardtown Elementary School who won the Milken Educator Award.

### Commissioner Jarboe

Attended the Farm Life Festival; congratulations to the Parlett family.

On Thursday, honored to go to Ocean City to accept the Friend of Transportation Award; our program with STS service is 'turning some heads' in the state of Maryland. Rideshared with Cathy Zumbrun; good to hear what's happening from the Social Services realm. We're down to about 111 who receive full-assistance from Social Services. Our County really does put people to work. Ella May Russell has done a great job overseeing back to work programs; STS is part of that. Need a bus, call 475-5100

Commissioner Raley

Apologized, wasn't in the County to attend the dinners and events. Attended a surprise birthday party in Summerset County with his wife, Ann.

Commissioner McKay

Boys & Girls Clubs will be providing very special handmade recognition plaques to the Commissioners.

A young lady from Spring Ridge did an excellent job responding to 'on the spot' questions. Principal received applause from the students, very positive.

Opportunity to attend the Big Brothers and Big Sisters annual event at Holiday Inn in Solomns. Judge Kaminetz was the keynote speaker. Congratulations.

**ADJOURNMENT**

The meeting adjourned at approximately 12:30 PM.

Minutes Approved by the Board of County Commissioners on \_\_\_\_\_

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Betty Jean Pasko, Senior Administrative Coordinator